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CONTAINING AN ACTIVE INGREDIENT**  
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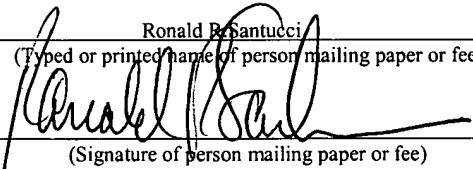
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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c),  
RECORD OF INTERVIEW AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that prior to continued examination, the following amendments be entered without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents.

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2), applicants hereby request an extension of time of two (2) months in responding to the Notice of Appeal received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 9, 2004. Granting of Applicants' request would serve to extend Applicants' due date from October 9, 2004 to December 9, 2004.

The requisite fee for a two month extension of time for a small entity (\$225.00) is included in the enclosed check for \$620. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-0320.

**RECORD OF INTERVIEW**

This is to record matters discussed during the December 7, 2004 telephonic interview among Sharmila Gollamudi (Examiner) and Applicants' representatives Deborah Lu (Agent, Reg. No. 50,940) and Gabriel McCool. Examiner Gollamudi is thanked for the many courtesies extended during the interview.

During the interview, Applicants' representatives proposed the claim amendments described herein. Applicants' representatives discussed how the claimed invention differs from the previously cited art, e.g., PCT Publications WO 89/07959 and WO 95/24172.

Accordingly, a summary and record of the interview is provided herewith.